

### REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-15 and 17-22 are pending. Claims 1-4, 8, 10, 14, 15, 17, and 20 have been rejected.

Claims 1, 14, and 17 have been amended. Claims 2, 5, 15, and 22 have been canceled. No claims have been added. Support for the amendments is found in the specification, the drawings, and in the claims as originally filed. Applicants submit that the amendments do not add new matter.

Applicants reserve all rights with respect to the applicability of the Doctrine of Equivalents.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claims 5-7, 9, 11-13, 18, 19, 21, and 22 if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 17 has been objected to because of the informalities.

Applicants have amended claim 17 to overcome the Examiner's objection.

Claims 1-4, 8, 10, 14, 15, 17, and 20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,970,107 to Bleiweiss et al. ("Bleiweiss").

Applicants have amended claim 1 to include substantially all limitations of claims 2 and 5. The Examiner indicated that claim 5 is allowable.

Therefore, applicants respectfully submit that claim 1, as amended, is now allowable.

Applicants have canceled claims 2 and 5.

Given that claims 3-4, 8, and 10 depend from amended claim 1, and add additional limitations, applicants respectfully submit that claims 3-4, 8, and 10 are now allowable.

Applicants have amended claim 14 to include substantially all limitations of claims 15 and 22. The Examiner indicated that claim 22 is allowable.

Therefore, applicants respectfully submit that claim 14, as amended, is now allowable.

Applicants have canceled claims 15 and 22.

Given that claims 17 and 20 depend from amended claim 14, and add additional limitations, applicants respectfully submit that claims 17 and 20 are now allowable.

In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit the present application is now in condition for allowance. Please charge Deposit Account No. 022666 for any shortage of fees in connection with this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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